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SUBJECT: FISHING YAWL "GRACE A. GHISLAINE"

REF: MARTINIQUE 0265

1. FOLLOWING REPORT ON ABOVE BOAT AND CREW BASED ON  
INFORMATION PROVIDED BY FBI, TAMPA, FLORIDA.

2. FISHING YAWL WAS TOWED TO TAMPA BY U.S. FISHING VESSEL  
WARRIOR II ON JUNE 20. FBI INSPECTION UPON ARRIVAL RE-  
VEALED THAT YAWL CONTAINED ONLY SKELETAL REMAINS AND FEW  
PERSONAL BELONGINGS (TWO WRIST WATCHES, THREE FRENCH COINS,  
AND SOME RAGS). CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER FOR STATE OF  
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FLORIDA DETERMINED THAT SKELETONS, WHICH WERE MISSING

UPPER LEG AND PELVIC BONES, BELONG TO TWO PREDOMINANTLY CAUCASIAN MALE ADULTS, APPROXIMATELY 5 FOOT 4 AND ONE-HALF AND 5 FOOT 11 AND ONE-HALF. SOME TRACES OF NEGRO ANCESTRY WERE DETECTED IN BOTH VICTIMS. ANOTHER PARTICULAR WAS THE DISCOVERY OF A PARTIAL DENTAL GOLD PLATE, BELONGING TO THE 5 FOOT 11 AND ONE-HALF MALE. CAUSE OF DEATH REMAINS UNKNOWN. THERE SEEMS TO BE NO INDICATION OF POSSIBLE CRIME. TAMPA U.S. ATTORNEY HAS REQUESTED FBI MAINTENANCE OF CUSTODY OF REMAINS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THEY CAN BE IDENTIFIED. REMAINS ARE PRESENTLY IN MORTUARY ROOM OF TAMPA GENERAL HOSPITAL.

3. UNLESS U.S. ATTORNEY FORESEES REASONS FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION AND IF FAMILIES CAN IDENTIFY REMAINS FROM ABOVE DESCRIPTION, REMAINS CAN BE RETURNED AT FAMILIES' EXPENSE. FBI SUGGESTS APPROPRIATE MARTINIQUE FRENCH AUTHORITIES SHOULD FIRST SUBMIT CLAIM FOR SKELETAL REMAINS TO U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, TAMPA, FLORIDA, REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION THAT THEY BE RETURNED TO FAMILIES. SIMILAR OFFICIAL REQUEST, SHOWING SOME EVIDENCE OF OWNERSHIP, SHOULD ALSO BE SUBMITTED TO U.S. CUSTOMS DISTRICT DIRECTOR, TAMPA, FLORIDA, MR. EDWARD ELLIS, FOR RELEASE OF YAWL PRESENTLY UNDER CUSTODY OF HIS OFFICE. TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE CHARGES WILL BE AT OWNER'S EXPENSE. MASTER OF WARRIOR II MAY CLAIM SALVAGE RIGHTS, ALTHOUGH, AS OF THIS DATE, HE HAS NEITHER CLAIMED NOR WAIVED SUCH RIGHTS. INGERSOLL

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